

SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Stephen B. Maebius on 25 May 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please replace claim 19 with the following:

19. (Currently Amended) The molecule of claim 17, wherein the molecule is a fusion protein formed with an isolated polypeptide of any one of (a) to (b) described below:

(a) a polypeptide comprising any one of the amino acid sequences set forth in SEQ ID NOs: 1 and 3 to 12 ;and

(b) a polypeptide comprising a peptide region cyclized by a disulfide bond formed between cysteine residues on both ends of the polypeptide of (a).

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The supplemental examiner's amendment was made to correct an improper multiple dependency.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Elizabeth C. Kemmerer, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-0874. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Nickol, Ph.D. can be reached on (571) 272-0835. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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